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SUBJ: POSTWAR AID TO INDOCHINA

REF: (A) STATE 066479; (B) TOKYO 4478

1. EMBASSY INTERPRETS REFTEL (A) AS REQUESTING
EMBASSY VIEWS RE PROBABLY GOA REACTION TO AN
INVITATION BY GVN TO MULTILATERAL MEETING ON AID
PROGRAM FOR SOUTH VIETNAM.

2. PREVIOUS EMBASSY DISCUSSIONS WITH GOA INDICATE
GENERAL GOA PREFERENCE FOR APPROACH WHICH (1) IS
MULTILATERAL, AND (2) COVERS INDOCHINA REGION
AS A WHOLE. IN THIS GENERAL CONNECTION DEPARTMENT
WILL NOTE GOA STATEMENT ON AID QUESTION PARA 3
REFTEL (B) .

3. GOA PREFERENCE WOULD PROBABLY RESULT IN
SOMEWHAT NEGATIVE INITIAL GOA RESPONSE TO SEPARATE
APPROACH, EVEN THOUGH MULTILATERAL, ON SVN ALONE.
EMBASSY BELIEVES, HOWEVER, CONSIDERATIONS SET FORTH
PARAS 2 AND 3 REFTEL (A) WOULD CARRY WEIGHT AND
THAT GOA WOULD SERIOUSLY CONSIDER ACCEPTING SUCH
AN INVITATION IF IT BECAME CLEAR ANOMALOUS
SITUATION DEVELOPING RESPECTING SVN AID IN RELATION
TO PROGRESS OF AID ARRANGEMENTS FOR NORTH VIETNAM.
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